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REPORT

TOPIC Rechlin-Laerz Airfield

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REMARKS

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1. During the afternoon of 20 July 1954, individual flights were made by MiG-15s and U-MiG-15s at Rechlin-Laerz airfield. [redacted] was identified on one aircraft which took off. About 1920, 7 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s took off at short intervals and disappeared from view. A total of 31 MiG-15s and U-MiG-15s were counted at the field. The possibility of observation of the area was limited.

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2. About 1315 on 31 July, about 40 MiG-15s and U-MiG-15s were observed in the western half of the field and 2 aircraft at the eastern edge. At 0745 on 3 August, 4 aircraft were again seen at the eastern end of the E-W runway. An additional 18 MiG-15s or U-MiG-15s were parked near the western end of the runway and 20 aircraft of the same type at the south end of the field. One aircraft had the [redacted]

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3. On 13 August, 49 MiG-15s and U-MiG-15s, including four with the [redacted] were counted at the field. There was intensive air activity throughout the day.

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Comment: Rechlin-Laerz airfield is believed to still be occupied by a fighter division headquarters and 2 fighter regiments equipped with about 55 MiG-15s. The aircraft Nos 931, 934 and 1465 are reported for the first time. No 733 was previously observed in Wittstock, No 935 in Zerbst and No 1473 in Finow.

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